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#### MILIROW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

#### FOR THE YEAR 1965

To the Health Committee ? the Urban District of Milmrow.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I have the honour of presenting my thirtyseventh Annual Report of the District of Milnrow and shall commence by placing before you the General Statistics from which this report is formed:-

#### Population

The estimated population of the district for 1965 is 8,630 with an acreage of 5,194.

The rateable value of the district is £260,008 and the sum represented by the penny rate is £1,003. 5. 8d.

The population is industrial and is occupied sainly with cotton spinning, the engineering trade and the wool trade, none of which has any peculiar influence on the public health.

#### Vital Statistics

Mortality rates per 1,000 population	
Total (all forms)	10.8
Respiratory Tuberculosis	Nil
Malignant neoplasms	1.97
Live birth rates per 1,000 population	22.1
Still births per 1,000 total births	17.4
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	Nil
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	17.8
Neo-mortality rate per 1,000 live births	17.8
Early reo-mortality rate per 1,000 live births	17.8
Perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total births	34.9

	М	F	Total
Live births	81	88	169
Legitimate	77	83	160
Illegitimate	4	5	9
Stillbirths	3	-	3
Legitimate	3	-	3
Illegitimate	THE RESERVE	-	-
Deaths of infants under 1 year	r 1	2	3
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Deaths of infants under 4 wee	eks 1	2	3
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate		-	-
Deaths of infants under 1 wee	ek 1	2	3
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-

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# Rates per 1,000 of Population

∰ Year	No. Reg.	Rate per 1000 Pop.		causes) Rate per 1000 Pop.	No. Rog.	Rate per 1000 Total births	-	Rate per 1000 Total births	No. of death reg.	Rate per
1965 1964	169 164	21.1	97 130	10.8	3 Nil	17.4 Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	9 Nil	17.8 Nil
Prev. year diff.	+5	9	-33	-4.3	+3	+17.4	- 1	itanies Le-	+9	+17.8

# Vital Statistics 1946 - 1965

Year	Population Estimated to middle	Births	<u>Deaths</u>	Infinitile Doath	liaternal liortality
	of each year	No. Rate	No. Rate	No. Rate	No. Rate
1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965	8134 8290 8418 8514 8596 8557 8578 8535 8540 8500 8460 8410 8360 8380 8110 7819 8310 6420 8630	147 18.0 166 20.0 145 17.2 146 17.1 134 15.6 142 16.6 137 15.7 134 15.3 100 11.9 126 15.1 88 10.4 124 14.9 125 15.1 122 14.7 102 12.2 119 14.8 118 14.6 153 20.8 164 22.0 169 21.1	105 12.9 112 13.5 117 13.2 128 14.3 126 14.7 123 14.4 128 14.0 90 9.9 117 13.2 129 14.6 129 15.2 100 12.4 108 13.3 126 15.6 97 12.1 132 16.9 135 17.0 139 16.4 130 15.1 97 10.8	8 25.4	Nil Nil 1 6.66 D 6.80 Nil

# Comparison with England and Wales

	England & Wales	Milnrow
Birth Rate	18,1	21.1
Death Rate	11.5	10.8
Maternal Mortality rate	0.25	Nil
Infantile Mortality rate	19.0	17.8

# Causes of Death during the year 1965

1	Tuberculosis Respiratory	
2	" Other	
3	Syphilitic disease	
4	Diphtheria	
5	Whooping Cough	
6	Meningococcal Infections	
7 8	Acute Poliomyelitis	
8	Measles	
9	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	
10	Malignant Neoplasm Stomach 1	13
11	Malignant Neoplasm Lung, Bronchus 3	
12	Malignant Neoplasm Breast	
13	Malignant Neoplasm Uterus	
14	Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasm 8	
15		
16		
17	Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System 17	
18	Coronary Disease, Angina	
19	Hypertension with Heart Disease 3	
20	Other Heart Diseases 13	
21	Other Circulatory Diseases 2	
22	Influenza	
23	Pneumonia 3	5
24	Other diseases of the respiratory system	5
25	Other diseases of the respiratory system 1	
26	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	
27	Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea	
28	Nephritis and Nephrosis	
29		
30		
31	Congenital Malformations	
32	Other defined and ill defined diseases 9	1
33		
34	All other Accidents	
35		
36	Homicide and Operations of War	
		_
	97	

# Deaths Occurring Outside District

Place of Death	M	F	Total
Birch Hill Hospital	14	24	38
Rochdale Infirmary	2	2	4
Marland Hospital	1	Nil	1
Crumpsall Hospital	1	Nil	1
Manchester Royal Infirmary	1	Nil	1
Victoria Hospital, Burnley	Nil	1 1	1
3, Buersil Ave., Rochdale	1	Nil	1
Brooklyn Caravan Site, North Meols	1	Nil	1
Greenbooth Reservoir	1	Nil	1

#### Infant and Maternal Mortality Rate

	No. of . Deaths	Rate	Increase or Decrease
Infant Mortality 1965	9 Nil	17.8 Nil	+17.8 -13.1
Maternal Mortality 1965	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	

#### Notifiable Infectious Diseases

	Total	Under 1 yr	1 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 4	6 - 4	5 - 10	10 - 15	15 - 25	20 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 65	65 & over	Deaths in Hospital.
Scarlet Fever Measles Tuberculosis Puerperal Pyrexia	12 59 1 2	4	2 14	19	5 4	2 9	2 9		1 1 2					

Under the National Health Service, the County is divided into 17 administrative divisions.

Milnrow is in number 13 district which is composed of Bacup, Heywood, Littleborough, Milnrow, Wardle and Whitworth.

#### Maternity and Child Welfare

Maternity and	Child Welfare
Clinic	There is a maternity and Child Welfare Clinic (Consultation) open every Tuesday, 10-12 noon and 2.00 to 4.00 p.m.
nte Natal	Cases attend clinic in Rochdale by arrangement or 1, Wesley Street, when the clinic is open.
Midwifery	Domiciliary midwifery is carried out by midwives under the control of the Lancashire County Council.
Home Helps	The home help service is run by the Lancashire County Council, Divisional Health No. 13.
Cleansing Centre	Cases requiring treatment are treated at the Cleansing Centre in Rochdale.
Immunisation	Clinics are held monthly at the Maternity and Child Welfare on the first Wednesday in every month.
Ambulance Facilities	The ambulance service is administered by the Lancashire County Council and the Ambulance Station is at Radcliffe.
Infectious Diseases	The hospitals are administered by the Regional Hospital Board.

I am,
Yours obediently,
O.R.I. LOVE, M.D., D.P.H.,
Medical Officer of Health.

#### MILNROW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1964

Council Offices, Milnrow.

September, 1965.

#### MILNROW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### Annual Report of the Public Health Inspector

#### for the year 1964

Madam Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in submitting to you my first Annual Report.

In October Mr. H. Nunn retired from the post of Senior Public Health Inspector after serving the Milnrow Urban District Council for a period of 19 years. I am very grateful to the Council for their decision to appoint me as Mr. Nunn's successor and would add that the help and guidance given to me by Mr. Nunn helped, in no small way, to make it possible for me to accept the appointment. Mr. R. Evans was appointed, late in the year but was not due to commence duties until January, 1965.

It will be noted that there was a marked increase in the number of visits made to slaughterhouses during 1964 (2,016 visits compared with 1,259 visits during 1963). This high number of visits was due partly to the implementation of the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963, this being the first full year of the operation of these Regulations, partly due to the increase in the number of animals slaughtered and partly due to the unsuitable situations of three of the slaughterhouses in relation to dwelling houses.

Almost 100% meat inspection has been maintained but only with great difficulty because of the lack of control over hours of slaughter making it necessary for inspection to be carried out at times outside normal working hours.

A pleasing feature is the increase in the number of Improvement Grant works completed during the year. This increase has been achieved by the Council's policy of approaching owners and bringing to their notice benefits in relation to home improvements. While the majority of applicants have been owner-occupiers, there has been an increase in the interest shown by other owners.

A Refuse Collection Bonus Scheme was introduced in April and though difficulties have arisen, the scheme has worked satisfactorily on the whole.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their help and consideration in relation to the carrying out of my duties.

I am, Yours faithfully,

H. JOHNSON,

Senior Public Health Inspector.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

# Sanitary Circumstances of the Area

Housing	
Number of houses erected during the year	
By other bodies	98
By Local Authority	58
Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year	
Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for	
housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	72
Number of inspections made for that purpose	120
Number of dwellinghouses found to be in such a state	Jan V
as to be dangerous or injurious to health	14
Number of dwellinghouses (excluding those referred to	Tot
under preceeding sub-heading) found not to be in all	
respects reasonably fit for human habitation but	
	36
capable of being rendered fit	20
Paralle of 3-6-sts 3-4-s the seem without the seeming of	
Remedy of defects during the year without the service of	
formal notice	
Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in	
consequence of informal action by the Local Authority	-
or its officers	29
Action under Statutory Powers during the year	
Proceedings under Public Health Act.	
Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which formal	
notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	10
Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were	
remedied after service of formal notice	
(a) by owner	10
(b) by Local Authority in default of owner	Nil
Proceedings under Section 16 & 17 Housing Act, 1957	
Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which	
Demolition Orders were made	14
Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of	204
Demolition Orders.	Nil
Demotitudi orders.	1144
Proceedings under Section 10 of the Local Covernment	
Proceedings under Section 10 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953	
Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Closing	374.7
Orders were made	Nil
Number of dwellinghouses closed in pursuance of	37.2 7
Closing Orders	Nil
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Housing Act, 1947 Part IV - Overcrowding	
Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of	
the year	Nil
Number of families dwelling therein	Nil
Number of cases of overcrowding reported during	
year	Nil
Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during	
year	Nil
Houses in the district and their Sanitary Conditions	
	3352
Farns	73
Shops with dwelling accommodation	98
Factories, workshops, lock-up shops, etc.	90
Houses, back-to-back	146
Pail closets	137
Waste water closets	15
	3484
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Council Houses	Pre-War	Post War
4 bedroom houses	4	Nil
3 " "	390	127
2 " "	122	142
1 bedroom bungalows	12	57
2 " "	Nil	18
1 bedroom flats	Nil	18
2 " "	Nil	18
Single person flats	Nil	18
Prefabricated bungeloss	Nº1. 528	Nil 398
Total	925	

#### IMPROVEDENCE CRANTS

	House	sing Act 1949	House Pur Housing A		
	Discreti	onery Grants	Standard	Grants	
	No. of Schemes	No. of dwelling houses or buildings affected	No. of Schemes	No. of dwelling houses or buildings affected	
Action during year					
(a) Submitted by private individuals to Fond! Authority	5	5	97	97	
(b) Approved by Local Authority	5	5	97	97	
(c) Submitted by Loose, Authority to Ministry	Nil	Nil	6	6	
(d) Finally approved by Ministry	N5.1	Nil	6	6	
(e) Work completed	5	5	105	105	

#### Water Supply

The water supply for the district is from Rochdale and Oldham Corporation. The statutory water undertaking being Rochdale. The water is from the Moorland gathering ground. Of the 3523 houses of the district, 3338 are supplied from the mains. The houses not receiving mains water are those scattered throughout the outer fringe where there are no water mains and are farm houses and small hamlets. The supplies being from private wells and springs.

#### Sampling - Nil

There are no stand pipes in the district.

#### Sewage Disposal

Most of the district is sewered and the sewage treated at the sewage works at Uncouth.

The number of pail closets in the district is now 137. The night soil collection is carried out by a gully emptier fitted with night soil attachment and disposed of by discharging into the sewer for treatment at the sewage works.

#### Public Cleansing Domestic Refuse

The cleansing service is operated by one  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cub.yard side loading and one 11-15 cub.yard "Bantam" Karrier packer refuse collection vehicles which were staffed by two drivers and six men up to 1st April, 1964 when a bonus scheme was introduced and the team was reduced to 2 drivers and 5 men.

The refuse is emptiod from 3519 ashbins.

The collection has been a weekly collection with the exception of holiday periods.

The refuse collection vehicles covered 7,200 miles and collected 1,686 loads.

In addition to the above bileage, the side leading vehicle travelled 1457 miles on the collection of might soil, a trailer type cass pit emptier was brought into use in November so dispensing with the need to use the refuse vehicle for this service.

#### Disposal.

The refuse is disposed of by controlled tapping. The 1,686 leads of refuse were disposed of, the refuse has been levelled, covered and consolidated with the mechanical shovel and any nuisance arising has been quickly remedied.

#### Dusthing

The providing of dustrins under the numicipal bin scheme is still working very satisfactorily and during the year 197 ashbins have been renewed and 150 new ashbins provided.

#### Offensive Brades

There are no offensive trades in the district.

## Rag Floor & Other Willing Materials Act, 1951

One thotary has been granted a renewal of licence to manufacture and stone mag flook,

#### Clean Air Aov, 1956

14 whathe have been made to business premises regarding the provision of the Clean Arm Act.

The chimneys are kept under observation and efforts made to control the emission of snoke,

#### Rodent Control

Type of Property

	Dwelling houses	Local Authority		Agriculturo
No. of properties inspected	277	-	95	5
Total inspections carried out (including re-inspections)	352	-	131	10
No. of properties inspected which were infested by		telesia:	Shirts.	
Rats Mice	17	Nil Nil	8 5	Nil Nil
No. of infested properties treated	23	Nil	13	2

A test baiting of the sewers was made during the year. 36 manholes were baited and 2 takes recorded. The sections infested were treated. The rat population in the sewers appears to be very low.

#### Factories

There are 45 factories in the district made up as follows:-

Bakers	5
Bleaching & Dyeing	3
Brickworks	1
Cotton Spinning	6
Cotton Waste Spinning	2
Engineering	4
Hemming and Packing Blankets	1
Joiners	4
Laundry	1
Motor repair garages	4
Non Ferrous Foundry	1
Paper Tube manufacturers	1
Portable Buildings	1
Slaughterhouses	4
Slipper inner sole manufacturers	1
Spring makers	2
Surgical cotton manufacturers	1
Television Assembly	1
Waste Recovery	1
Woodwork machinists	1
Wool sorter	1

#### Defects

The sanitary accommodation was found to be in an unsatisfactory condition at one factory, the defect was remedied after a verbal caution was made.

#### Schools

There are 6 schools in the district, of these 5 have fresh water closets and 1 pail closets. There is no sewer available for the school with pail closets.

#### Inspection and Supervision of Food

#### Food Shops

There are 104 food shops; 174 visits have been made to these premises; 101 of these visits were made under the Food Hygiene Regulations 1958 and 40 visits were made in connection with investigation of sources of supply of corned beef and tongue.

#### Food Premises

Type of Business	No.
Bakers and Confectioners Butchers	10 9
Fried Fish & Chip	5
Greengrocers	7
Grocery & Provisions	31
Sweets & Soft Drinks	4
Restaurants, canteens and snack bars	13
Licensed premises - Public Houses	18
Clubs	8

#### Inspection of Meat & Other Foods

#### Slaughterhouses

There are 4 slaughterhouses in operation in the district of which 3 are being used by wholesale butchers.

It will be appreciated that practically the whole of the meat from these slaughterhouses is exported to other districts.

During the year 2,016 visits have been made to slaughterhouses.

Contract of the Contract of th	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number killed Number inspected	3060 3056	3204 3192	258 258	19310 19195	3322 3293
All Diseases except Tuberculosis	with the same				
Whole carcases condemned	2	12	4	9	1
Carcases of which some part or Organ was condemned	197	810	-	8	85
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis	6.51%	25.779	1.55%	0.089%	2.61
Tuberculosis only					
Whole careases condenned	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	3	Nil	Nil	4
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tunerculosis	Nil	0.139	Nil	Nil	0.12
Cystecercosis	40	100			
Carcases of which some part or organ was condenned	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalized and totally condemned	Nil	. 1	Nil	Nil	Nil

The total weight of carcass meat and organs condemned -

10 tons, 11 cwts., 5 st., 10 lbs.

Legal proceedings were taken by the Council against one slaughterhouse licence holder in respect of 6 contraventions to the Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations 1958. A plea of guilty was entered and fines totalling £91 were imposed.

# Other foods inspected and condenned :

8 x 1 1	b. tins	Grapefruit	8	lbs.
3 x 6 1	b. tins	Tongue	18	lbs.
1 x 10	lb. tin	Han	10	lbs.
			36	lbs.

#### Milk Sampling

#### Schools and Day Nursery

All milk to schools is Pasteurised and supplied in 1/3rd pint bottles.

The nursery also uses Pasteurised milk.

5	No. taken				ylene test
		S	N.S.	S	N.S.
Schools	4	1 4	-	1 4	and the same of
Day Nursery	2	2	-	2	-

#### Food and Drugs Act, 1955 Sampling

The Lancashire County Council are the Food and Drugs Authority and carry out this work. The following information has been supplied by them.

A total of 64 samples was obtained, consisting of 44 samples of milk, one of which was Channel Islands milk, and 20 others comprising:

1 Phenoxymethyl penicillin tablets 1 Jam	1 Table Jelly 1 Fruit, dried (currents)
1 Fruit, dried (prunes)	1 Chewing gum
1 Flour confectionery	1 Instant mashed potatoes
1 Oatneal	1 Apricot chutney
1 Pudding mixture, unsweetened	1 Vegetables, fresh (potatoes)
1 Fruit, fresh (pears)	1 Double Devon cream
1 Fruit, fresh (apples)	2 Beef sausage
1 Onion sause powder	1 Portion of ham and tongue
1 pork sausage	sandwich

I give below details of those samples upon which the County Analyst gave adverse reports:-

Type of Sample	Result of Analysis	Action taken
1 Formal milk	Contained 0.02 International Unit penicillin per ml.	Farmer and Milk Marketing Board informed.
l Formal mil:	Contained 0.01 International Unit penicillin per ml.	Dairy informed.
l Formal milk	Contained 6.07 International Unit penicillin per ml.	Farmer and Milk Marketing Board informed.
1 Pork sausage	Meat content 64%. Slightly low in neat content. Containe preservative without declaration	
1 Beef sansage	Meat content 49%. Slaightly low in neat content. Contained preservative without declaration.	Vendor cautioned re preservative.
l Portion of ham and tongue sandwich	At the time of submission to the Laboratory, spoilage of the neat masked any evidence of other taint. The bread was free from surface contamination and the margarine was free from rancidity.	

#### Shops Act, 1950

There are 111 shops, 18 public houses, 7 clubs and 2 Off licences.

16 visits have been made regarding ventilation, temperature and sanitary conveniences.

Type of business		Number
Boot and shoe		4
Butchers		. 9
Chemists		1
Confectioners		10
Cycle Accessories		1
Drapers		7
Drug Store		i
Electrical Goods		2
Fancy Goods		1
Fried Fish & Chips		5
Gowns		í
Greengrocery & Fish		7
Grocery and Provisions		31
Hairdressers		11
Hardware		4
Herbalist		4 1 8
Newsagents		8
Paint and "allpaper		2
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# Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

		Class of Premises				
	to be a second	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale shops, warehouses	to public,	Fuel storage depots
pr	. of registered enises at end of ar.	5	17	1.	9	1
pr	. of registered emises receiving general inspect- n during year	3	12	_	6	1
	. of exemptions rrent at end of ar	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

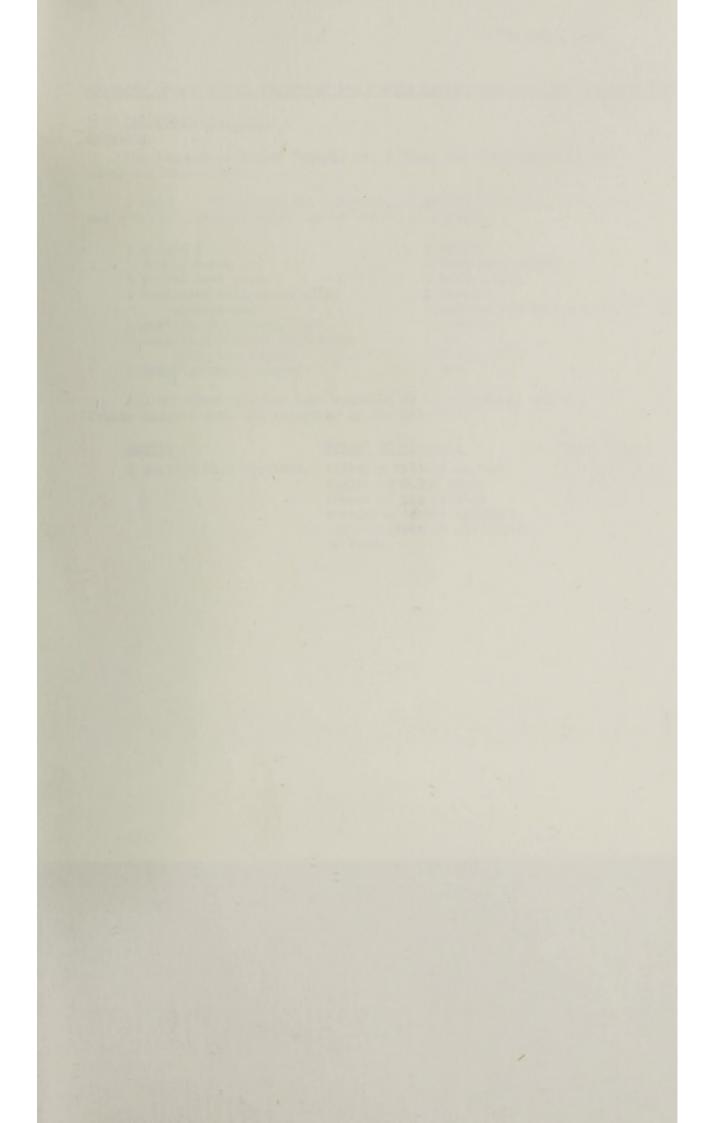
(d) No. of visits of all kinds by inspectors to registered premises 22

#### SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Inspection of dwellinghouses	72
Re-inspection of dwellinghouses	48
Visits re Shops Act	16
Inspection of Bakehouses	1
" Fried Fish & Chip Shops	2
" "Butchers	:2
" " Canteens	8
" "Clubs	1
" Licensed Premises	3
" "Factories	11
" " Schools	3
" Day Nurseries	1 2 2 8 1 3 11 3
Visits re Clean Air.Act	14
Inspection of drainage	279
Visits to Tips	349
" re applications for Council houses	1
" re water supplies	24
" to farms	2
" re Rodent Control	16
" re unsound food	110
" to slaughterhouses	2016
" re Ice Cream	-
" re Food, Hygiene Regulations	27
" re Waste Food Order	6 2
Snoke Observations	
Visits re Infectious Diseases	60
" re Standard Grants	220
" re Milk Samples	7
" re Refuse Collection	125
" re Insect Pests	27
" re Rag Flock	1
" re keging of animals	2
" re noise	2
" re snell	1 2 2 5
" re Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act	22
Miscellaneous visits	7/77
	2633

#### SUMMARY OF NUISANCES & DEFECTS REMEDIED

Roofs repaired	10
W.C. chamber doors repaired	5
W.C. cisterns repaired	5
W.C. chamber roofs repaired	3
Connection between W.C. pedestal and drain repaired	7
Broken W.C. seats renewed	2
W.C. pedestal renewed	8
	3
Burst water service to W.C. cistern repaired	
Percolations	13
Choked drains released	19
Doors repaired	5
Choked sink waste pipe released	2
Sink waste pipe repaired	2
Burning of rubbish	4
Danpness	16
Eavesgutter repaired	9
Cesspool emptied	7
Drain repaired	6
Ashbins renewed	197
" provided	150
Particular	1.72
	mind.



7th July, 1966.

#### Appendix to the Annual Report of the Public Health Inspector for the year 1965.

# Food and Drugs Act, 1955

The Lancashire County Council are th Food and Drugs Authority and carry out this work.

A total of 59 samples was obtained, comprising 41 milks (1 of which was a Channel Islands milk) and 18 others as follows :

1 canned fish 1 double cream

1 potted beef paste

1 condensed full cream milk, unsweetened

1 portion of bilberry tart 1 condensed special full cream

milk, sweetened 1 dairy produce, canned

1 coffee

2 Christmas pudding

2 table jelly

1 treacle

1 pudding mixture, sweetened

1 gelatine

1 jam

1 fruit, dried

1 lard

All the above samples were reported to be chemically genuine by the County Analyst with the exception of the following:

#### Sample

#### Result of Analysis

1 portion bilberry tart. bilberry filling in tart contained 0.25% sand. Traces of pie filling remaining in the original can contained 66 milligrams of sand.

#### Action Taken

Bakers cautioned and complainant informed.